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Construction System

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Sir:

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action of August 5, 1999 (Paper No. 8), kindly amend the above-identified application, without prejudice, as follows:

Cancel all of the claims presently in the application and substitute therefor new claims 6-12:

said female connector is comprised of a substantially round disc shaped plastic member having two holes formed therein and adapted to mate with a two-fingered genderless connector by means of an interference fit when the fingers are inserted into the holes, at least one of said holes being substantially triangularly shaped and including three internal angular corners, one of said corners of said at least one hole being closer to the other of said two holes than the other two of said three corners.